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SELECTIVE ENFORCEMENT TRAFFIC GRANT

The Tucson Police Department is proud to announce the acceptance of a \$53,000.00 grant from the Governors Office of Highway Safety. The grant money will be used to focus on violations directly related to motor vehicle collisions, and will be in effect from January 6, 2012 to the end of September 2012. In an effort aimed at reducing the number of collisions, the intersections that generate a high number of accidents citywide have been identified and will be targeted during the deployment. A majority of the funding received from the grant will be allocated toward the utilization of additional officers, which will be in and around these intersections. The rest of the funding will go towards the purchase of new speed detection devices. Enforcement efforts will concentrate on violations that directly correlate to motor vehicle accidents and the severity of those accidents. These violations include but are not limited to: exceeding the posted speed limit, following too closely, failure to yield right of way to on-coming traffic, failure to stop for red lights or stop signs, aggressive driving, and driving while impaired (drug or alcohol). Seat belt and child restraint compliance will be strictly enforced during all contacts.

Any questions regarding the grant or deployment may be directed to Sergeant Brotherton in the Traffic Division at 791-4440.

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